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NCUA Improves in "Best Places to Work" **Ratings within Federal Government**

Rated #1 Small Agency for Employees under Age 40; #4 Small Agency for Women

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (Nov. 21, 2011) – NCUA ranks first among federal employees under age 40, and fourth among women, as the "best place to work" among small federal agencies, according to ratings released last week by the Partnership for Public Service. NCUA also improved its overall annual ranking from 23rd to 16th out of 35 small federal agencies.

"One of my top priorities is to make NCUA an employer of choice, so we are proud of the growing recognition that NCUA is one of the best places to work," said NCUA Board Chairman Debbie Matz. "We are especially gratified that women and young professionals, including many of our newest employees, view NCUA as a workplace where their careers can flourish. NCUA's employees are our most valuable asset, and we are working together to improve the workplace environment through open communications and partnerships."

Federal employees rated 14 different factors to create the composite scores and agency rankings. These included employee skills/mission match, teamwork, fairness, training and development, pay, and support for diversity.

More than 276,000 federal workers participated in the survey. The rankings include 308 federal agencies and subcomponents—representing 97 percent of the 2.1 million people in the federal workforce.

The Partnership for Public Service which produced the ratings is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization with a mission to "revitalize our federal government by inspiring a new generation to serve and by transforming the way government works." Rankings for the federal agency survey are posted at http://www.bestplacestowork.org/BPTW/rankings.

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